EXEMPTION NOTICE FORM

University of Hawaii at Manoa, Office of Project Delivery 2002 East-West Road Honolulu, HI 96822

TO: 1. Agency-Maintained Public Files for Chapter 343 HRS Exemption Determinations

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FROM: Nelson Lee, Director, UH Office of Project Delivery

SUBJECT: Exemption Notice for Landscape Building Replacement (UHM 1194-20-015)

DATE: 1/26/2022

AGENCY OR APPLICANT ACTION

Check applicable box

- ☐ This exempted action is an <u>agency</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(b), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), and Section 11-200.1-8, Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR),
- ☐ This exempted action is an <u>applicant</u> action as defined by Section 343-5(e), HRS, and Section 11-200.1-9, HAR

EXEMPTION TYPE:

The Exemption Notice for the action described below is based on the general types enumerated in Section 11-200.1-15(c), Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR), Exemption Type 2.

As applicable, the exemption for the action described below is also supported by the Exemption List for the [name of agency], reviewed and concurred to by the Environmental Council on [date of concurrence].

- Exemption List Class <u>2</u>.
- Item Number <u>1</u>.
- Applicable language from the exemption list: Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located generally on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose, capacity, density, height and dimensions as the structure replaced. (1) Replacement or reconstruction of: (a) Existing buildings used for offices, classrooms, laboratories, or storage on lands owned, leased, or rented by the University, except those that may be aesthetically, historically, or culturally significant (f) Workshops and tool sheds

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

Proposing Agency or Applicant: <u>University of Hawaii Office of Project Delivery</u>
Project Name & Address/Location: <u>Landscape Building Replacement; 2027 East West Road at the University of Hawaii Manoa Campus, Honolulu, Hawaii</u>

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Anticipated Start Date: 6/30/2022 Anticipated End Date: 6/30/2023

Island and District: O'ahu Honolulu

Tax Map Key(s) and other geolocation means: (1) 2-9-004:005

All Necessary Permits and Approvals: Building Permit, NPDES Permit

NARRATIVE

Describe the action and why it qualifies for the exemption: The proposed action involves replacement of the existing 1194D, E, F Landscape Buildings located at 2002 East West Road at the University of Hawaii Manoa Campus, Honolulu, Hawaii and construction of a new Auxiliary Parking Lot and Covered. The existing building is proposed to be demolished in full and a new building reconstructed on the site of an existing parking lot located adjacent to the Transportation Services building located at 2027 East West Road. The parking lot will be partially demolished and regraded to facilitate construction of the new Landscape Building. The existing parking stalls that will be removed will be relocated to a new Auxiliary Parking Lot at the site of the existing Landscape Building. The new Auxiliary Parking Lot combined with the new Landscape Building site will replace the removed parking stalls in full. The new Landscape Building will replace the existing one for one in both use and size. The existing building is approximately 9,400 square feet and new proposed new building is approximately 7,200 square feet. The building is used for storage and maintenance of vehicles and materials used for landscape, building, and grounds maintenance on campus as well as administrative services for the Building and Grounds Maintenance and Landscaping. The new Nursery area will replace an existing Nursery area currently located behind the existing Landscape Building. The site of the new Nursery is located at the site of and existing Thrift Shop Building located at 2641A Pamoa Road which will be demolished under a separate contract. The existing Nursery area is approximately 6,300 square feet and the new proposed Nursery Area is approximately 5,200 square feet. The Nursery is used for storage and care of plants used for landscaping on campus. Although the proposed buildings will be relocated to different sites than existing, the relocation will be close in proximity and will not impose on undisturbed areas or result in new impact at the proposed sites.

RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT

Describe the site, including any impacts on the receiving environment: The proposed site is located on the University of Hawaii Manoa Campus near various administrative and maintenance buildings. The three sites for the new Landscape Building, new Auxiliary Parking, and new Nursery are located on previously disturbed land containing existing utilities. All new structures will replace the existing structures in kind both in use and size and will not impose new building area. All existing utilities will either be used for the new structures or removed if no longer required. Proper construction BMPs will be implemented in accordance with all applicable laws and regulation to prevent runoff and minimize dust, noise, and disturbances. At the end of construction, a final clean up shall remove all temporary equipment and materials. Therefore, minimal impacts to the receiving environment are expected.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

I have considered the potential effects of the proposed project and all related activities against the criteria checked below:

		Not Applicable
\boxtimes	Land Use and Zoning Conformance	
\boxtimes	Traffic (Vehicles, Bicycles, Pedestrian)	
\boxtimes	Infrastructure (Roads, Buildings, Utilities)	
\boxtimes	Air Quality Pollutant Emissions	
\boxtimes	Noise Emissions	
\boxtimes	Solid, Hazardous, and Liquid Waste Management	
	Social	\boxtimes
	Economic	\boxtimes
\boxtimes	Health and Safety	
	Recreation	\boxtimes
	Public Beach Access	\boxtimes
	Cultural Resources and Practices	\boxtimes
\boxtimes	Visual/Aesthetic	
	Environmental Justice	\boxtimes
	Rare, Threatened, and/or Endangered Species	\boxtimes
\boxtimes	Surface and Ground Water Resources	
	Wetlands	\boxtimes
	Floodplains	\boxtimes
	Riparian/Coastal Resources	\boxtimes
П	Other	\boxtimes

Comments/summary of impact analysis: The proposed actions are all planned to take place in previously built environments with existing utilities. The impact will not result in a major disturbance to an environmental resource.

MITIGATION

Describe all mitigation measures and best management practices planned to address impacts during the project activities and after project completion: The contractor shall follow the guidelines in the City and County of Honolulu Best Management Practices Manual-Construction in developing, installing, and maintaining the BMPs for the project and all other applicable Federal. State, and local laws. A spill control and prevention plan will be in place and the contractor shall keep the project area and surrounding are area free from rubbish, dust, noise, erosion, etc. The work shall be done in conformance with the air and water pollution control standards and regulations of the State of Hawaii Department of Health. Inspections will be performed weekly. At the end of construction, a final clean up shall remove all temporary equipment and materials and restore the site as close as possible to the original condition or better.

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CONSULTATION

The following parties have been consulted about this declaration exemption (Name, affiliation, consultation date): No consultation will be required in regards to the Proposed Action. The University of Hawai'i will inform adjacent parcel owners and applicable users of the facility of the construction work involved for the Proposed Action. Upon the completion of project construction activities, all users will be notified and operations will be returned to normal operating conditions.

EXEMPT DECLARATION

The direct, cumulative, and potential impacts of the action described above have been considered pursuant to Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes and Chapter 11-200.1, Hawai'i Administrative Rules. I declare that the action described above will have minimal or no significant impact on the environment and is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment.

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Signature of Director or Delegate	Date

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